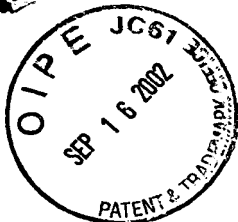


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Applicants:	Armstrong et al.	Group Art Unit:	1638
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AMENDMENT A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Communication mailed March 13, 2002. A petition and fee authorization for a three month extension is enclosed.

Please amend the above entitled application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-5 and 7-8, and add new claims 10-16, as set forth in the following clean copy of all pending claims:



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